

SENATE BILL 526  
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 7, to allow a member of a managed health insurer to be paid directly by the issuer if the provider furnishing services is no longer in the issuer's network and is no longer required to provide continuity of care under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 56-7-2358.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2358, is amended by adding a new subdivision to subsection (a), as follows:

( ) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, once the provisions of this section are no longer applicable and a member of a managed health insurance issuer receives services from a provider that is not contracted to deliver services for the managed health insurance issuer, then the issuer can make payment for such services directly to the member.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.